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2812/2814 Shoreridge Avenue/3010 East Cedar Lane Fire Response Subject:

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Press Release

For Immediate Release

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The Norman Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire at 6:10 A.M. on 02/17/2014 located at 2812/2814 Shoreridge Ave.

Upon arrival, firefighters encountered heavy smoke and fire coming through the roof of the duplex and established that all occupants had already evacuated. Firefighters then made entry to the structure to extinguish the fire, but were forced to evacuate when the roof began to collapse. It took fire crews about an hour to bring the fire under control and they spent several more hours putting out hidden fires.

Six occupants were displaced from the fire and the Red Cross is currently assisting them. There were no reports of injuries to the occupants or fire crews. The cause of the fire has been determined to be from an unattended chiminea, according to the Norman Fire Marshal's office.

Four stations with 21 firefighters responded to the incident along with the Norman Police and EMSSTAT paramedics. The preliminary damage estimate is \$250,000 including the structure and contents.

The Norman Fire Department also responded to a second structure fire at 9:06 A.M. on 02/17/2014 located at 3010 East Cedar Ln.

Upon arrival firefighters found a vacant residential structure with heavy smoke and fire throughout the building and ventilating through the roof. Fire crews also had a three acre brush fire caused from flying embers. It took fire crews approximately two hours to bring the fire under control.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation by the Norman Fire Marshal's office. The preliminary damage estimate is \$100,000.

There was one report of a minor injury to a firefighter from a fall. The firefighter was treated and released from the scene with no other injuries reported.

Four fire stations with eighteen firefighters along with Norman Police, EMSSTAT paramedics and mutual aid from Slaughterville and Noble Fire Departments.

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